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Applicant

SAMSUNG ELECTRONICS CO., LTD

- 1. The applicant is hereby notified that this International Preliminary Examining Authority transmits herewith the international preliminary examination report and its annexes, if any, established on the international application.
- 2. A copy of of the report and its annexes, if any, is being transmitted to the International Bureau for communication to all the eleceted Offices.
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This international preliminary examinated to the applicant	nination report has been prepare according to Article 36.	d by this I	nternational Preliminary Examination Authority		
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amended and are the basis f	or this report and/or sheets cont e Administrative Instructions ur	aining rect	cription, claims and/or drawings which have been ifications made before this Authority (see Rule T).		
3. This report contains indications rela	ating to the following items:				
I. Basis of the opinion					
II. Priority					
III. Non-establishment of opinion with regard to novelty, inventive step and industrial applicability					
IV. Lack of unity of invention					
V. Reasoned statement under Rule 66.2(a)(ii) with regard to novelty, inventive step or industrial applicability; citations and explanations supporting such statement					
VI. Certain documen	ts cited				
VII. Certain defects in the international application					
VIII. Certain observations on the international application					
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## INTERNATIONAL PRELIMINARY EXAMINATION REPORT

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International applicat	ion No.
PCT/KR 2003/002	2434

I.		Basis of the report
1.	Wit	h regard to the elements of the international application:*
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		the description: pages, as originally filed
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2.	Witi	h regard to the language, all the elements marked above were available or furnished to this Authority in the language in
		ch the international application was filed, unless otherwise indicated under this item.
	i ne	se elements were available or furnished to this Authority in the following language which is:
		the language of a translation furnished for the purposes of international search (under Rule 23.1(b)).
		the language of publication of the international application (under Rule 48.3(b)).
	Ц	the language of the translation furnished for the purposes of international preliminary examination (under Rule 55.2 and/or 55.3).
3.	With preli	n regard to any nucleotide and/or amino acid sequence disclosed in the international application, the international iminary examination was carried out on the basis of the sequence listing:
		contained in the international application in printed form.
		filed together with the international application in computer readable form.
		furnished subsequently to this Authority in written form.
	Ш	furnished subsequently to this Authority in computer readable form.
		The statement that the subsequently furnished written sequence listing does not go beyond the disclosure in the international application as filed has been furnished.
		The statement that the information recorded in computer readable form is identical to the written sequence listing has been furnished.
4.		The amendments have resulted in the cancellation of:
		the description, pages
	•	the claims, Nos
		the drawings, sheets/fig
5.		This report has been established as if (some of) the amendments had not been made, since they have been considered to go beyond the disclosure as filed, as indicated in the Supplemental Box (Rule 70.2(c)).**
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77 Ca.	Ally re	placement sheet containing such amendments must be referred to under item 1 and annexed to this report.

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Statement		uch statement	
Novelty (N)	Claims	1-16	Y
	Claims		NO
Inventive step (IS)	Claims	1-16	Yl
	Claims		N
Industrial applicability (IA)	Claims	1-16	. <b>Y</b> ]
	Claims		No

The following documents have been cited in the Search Report:

D1: JP 2002116750 A D2: KR 20010077525 A D3: KR 20020073353 A D4: US 2002130830 A

D1 shows a gamma correction circuit with 2.2 curve characteristic.

D2 discloses a gamma correction circuit with a dithering processor for bit reducing.

D3 describes a gray voltage control circuit.

D4 teaches a luminance control circuit for lamps.

As none of the cited documents discloses in combination all claimed features of the main claims 1, 10, 13 and 14, the subject matter has to be considered novel over the cited art. Though each of the cited documents discloses features of the claimed subject matter as referred above, the cited art does not render obvious the claimed features in combination, as none of the documents gives any hints thereto.

Thus novelty and inventiveness is considered being fulfilled.

Industrial applicability is given.